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SYNOD ADOPTED SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS ON SUPPORT OF ORPHANAGE

Have Requested Churches to Take Home Mission Offering Not Later Than Nov. 4

STRONG RESOLUTION

Dr. I. G. Greer, Superintendent Of Mills Home, Made Great Address

Elsewhere in this issue of The Messenger, a report of the proceedings of Synod, as prepared by the publicity clerk, is given, but an elaboration of the Orphanage presentation is not amiss and is given below in conjunction with the actions of Synod, as told in the box article immediately to the right of this column.

On Wednesday afternoon there was a popular meeting on the Orphanage work, the feature of this being a stirring address by Dr. I. G. Greer, superintendent of the Mills Home, Baptist Orphanage located at Thomasville. Synod listened attentively and spellbound to the eloquent appeal of this Orphanage head to support their work, not from the standpoint of reponsibility and duty, but entirely from the standpoint of pure joy in helping the boys and girls who are entrusted to their care at their institution at Barium Springs.

Dr. Greer's theme was practical Christianity, and he felt that there was no greater evidence of this than the caring for fatherless and motherless children. He recited numerous instances to appropriately illustrate this, which showed that it was not the man of wealth spending a miserly sum, but the one with virtually nothing but who gave freely and willingly of his meagre possessions that wore the crown at the end.

The speaker appealed to his hearers to do everything within their power to maintain the private home intact before ever making application for the admittance of children to an Orphanage. He felt that the greatest tragedy in America today is the wanton breaking up of homes, and contended that no matter what the surroundings and living conditions, nothing could ever replace the touch of a mother's hand.

Prior to Dr. Greer's address, Rev. John R. Hay, of Hickory, president of the Board of Regents, made an annual report to Synod, reviewing the general situation at the Orphanage. His report, the treasurer's summary and the auditor's report made by Haskins and Sells were placed in the hands of the Standing Committee, and they brought in a recommendation the following day that Mr. Hay's report be adopted.

Concluding the popular meeting were brief remarks by Mr. C. S. Hollister, of New Bern, who told of the plan so effectively used in Albemarle Presbytery in getting the Orphanage before the people of that section. In substance, it was that a committee of New Bern people came to Barium for a day and night, went over the institution thoroughly, and after returning to New Bern mapped out a series of visits to every church in that Presbytery, presenting the cause of the Orphanage. While Mr. Hollister d.d not give the figures, the record shows that Albemarle Presbytery gave $868.06 more in 1933-1934 than in 1932-1933, and it is believed that the work of this New Bern committee was instrumental in this. Albemarle, too, is generally considered a home mission Presbytery.

On the following day, the report and recommendations of the Standing Committee were heard and adopted. Synod at first approved the report of the Work Committee that the Home Missions dates be left, as originally scheduled, but when the Orphanage report came up, a reconsideration was called and this pre-

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Recommendations

Report of the Standing Committee on Orphans' Home

The Standing Committee on the Home has carefully examined the Annual Report of the Regents, the written report of the Treasurer, and the audit made by Haskins and Sells.

We recommend the adoption of the report of the Regents and its two recommendations.

And further, we find upon a careful study that the total indebtedness of the Home is $107,490.74; therefore, we recommend that Synod authorize and direct the Board of Regents to immediately take steps for the retirement of this debt.

Also, that Synod request the several Presbyteries at their Fall meeting to appoint a strong committee of interested laymen and ministers to secure contributions at Thanksgiving from every member of every church and Sunday School, and also to assist in carrying out later plans looking toward the complete removal of all the indebtedness.

Regents' Recommendations.

The two recommendations of the Regents, which were adopted, and which are referred to in the above report of the Standing Committee, follow:

"We recommend that Synod request all churches and their various organizations to complete the Home Mission Study Courses and Self-Denial Offering by the first Sunday in November, so as to allow some time to prepare for the Thanksgiving Offering."

"We commend the method so successfully used in Albemarle Presbytery to secure offerings for Barium, and recommend its use all over the Synod."

Resolution Passed by Synod.

The Synod of North Carolina resolves that it will not co-operate with any plan of the General Assembly's Stewardship Committee or its Executive Committees which calls on our churches for any free-will or special offering in November on any date later than the first Sunday of November of each year.

PROCEEDINGS OF SYNOD ARE RECOUNTED BELOW

Annual Session Held at Davidson—Dr. B. R. Lacy Elected As Moderator

(By Rev. J. G. Garth)

Synod met at Davidson Sept. 4-6. Business sessions were held in the auditorium of Chambers Building, and popular meetings in the church. The college and church entertained jointly. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. H. M. Moffett D. D., pastor of local church at the request of Prof. J. Moore McConnell, the retiring moderator who is a member of Davidson faculty and of the local church session.

Rev. B. R. Lacy D. D., president of Union Seminary, Richmond, Va. was made moderator by acclamation. Dr. Lacy also reported on the Seminary. He said indications showed a decrease in college men entering ministry. Davidson College, Queens-Chicora, Flora Macdonald, Mitchell, Men's Junior College, Glade Valley and Elise High Schools all expected increase in attendance. Rev. P. Cary Adams, president-elect of Maxton Men's Junior College, reported a new gymnasium built.

Addresses on Christian Education were made by Drs. W. L. Lingle of Davidson and W. H. Frazer, of Queens-Chicora. Publication of the latter's address was requested by Synod.

Synod gave to benevolence $383.709 an increase of $8,555 over last year. Synod's Home Missions receiv-

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HOW MUCH DO YOU LIKE THE MESSENGER?

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Dear Sir:

Although I know that The Barium Messenger is sent to me gratis every month I want to make a personal contribution toward the publication of these 21,000 monthly copies, and am therefore enclosing a special gift of $——— for this particular phase of the work at Barium.

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CAMPING TRIP WAS ONE REPLETE WITH THRILLS AND EXCITEMENT FOR ALL

Party of 115 Spent Four Days at Swannanoa and Other Nearby Points

PLENTY OF RAIN

Went to Asheville, Montreat and Mt. Mitchell While Away

The camping trip which takes place in August forms the subject of conversation for at least three months of vacation, and when it is over we are definitely ready for school to commence. Possibly you need to have this explained to you a little bit. Well here is the explanation:

It has been the custom from time immemorial for children to visit relatives, and most of the children at Barium do get a chance to visit relatives or friends. However, there are always some left-overs, and it is just too bad to start up school without them having any sort of an outing. So a number of years ago, the practice was started of having a camping trip, and the whole business—boys and girls—light out and spend about a week in some place.

The first trip that we made was a rather ambitious trip. It was all the way to Myrtle Beach, some 200 miles and about 15 blow outs! But when the whole trip was summed up, we had managed the camp for something like $2.00 per child. Ninety-two children made that trip.

The next year, Lake Waccamaw was the place selected, and it rained every day we were there, but still we had a good time. After that, it was Lake Lure; and then just seventeen miles from Barium on the Catawba River at Lookout Dam a year ago.

This year we tried out a 4-H Club Camp at Swannanoa, N. C. The rental of this camp cost us about fifty cents per person. We did not try to borrow any trucks to get there. We sent all of the kids who were under twelve years of age on the train; and in spite of these charges, we ended up with about the lowest cost ever. There were 115 on this party altogether. And now we will you about it.

On Monday, August 13th, we started out. At 9:00 A. M., a truck loaded with provisions and boys left; at 10:00 o'clock, a truck loaded with bedding and girls; at 3:00 o'clock a train loaded with the aforementioned youngsters, and several automobiles with the "leavings." These all arrived at Swannanoa about the same time; that is, the 3:00 o'clock crowd. Going up the mountain it rained nicely, and thoroughly soaked the girls and the quilts; so that when we finally landed in camp, it seemed perfectly natural. We had houses to sleep in, but the quilts were all wet so that we knew we were on a camp! We were so busy for the next three days that we did not have time to eat but two meals a day. But don't let that make any of you believe that we ate any the less. That second meal was just a postponed dinner and supper combined.

On Tuesday, right after breakfast, the whole party went over to Montreat. We thought Montreat was deserted. Nobody was in sight, and it was a good while before we found out the trouble. It was only 8:30, evidently they do not commence to stir in Montreat until about 9:30. Anyhow, it was against the law to go in swimming until 10:30, and that was a mighty long two hours, and our party—just to pass away the time—went up on Lookout and one party actually went up there twice, just to prove they could do it, and to get up a nice perspiration for that swim in the lake! The lake was cold as usual, but was not quite as clear. One of the signs had blown down up the creek, and allowed it to become muddy! Dr. Anderson, of course, will soon correct that, because mud is not allowed in that lake.

After a glorious swim for everyone who had the regulation bathing suits, we drove back to our camp, and after an early but very substantial supper, we went over to the Mountain Orphanage and had a game of baseball. The game was played in the cow pasture, and in addition to the cows, most of the children of the Mountain Orphanage and of our party were spectators! The game was a most interesting one and the pitcher on the Mountain Orphanage team was Paul Horn's big brother, and he all but whipped us single-handed! The score was finally 9-8

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New Sunday Schools

Add the names of six more Sunday Schools to that ever-increasing list of such organizations which are doing something regularly and every month for Barium. Two of these Sunday Schools reported in August, and four of the gifts arrived in the early part of September, but all of them are being listed in this issue of The Messenger. In all likelihood several others will report the latter part of September, and make possible the continuation of this series of articles in the October copy of this publication.

Those reporting recently were Cameron Hill in Fayetteville Presbytery; the Bible Class of the Walgensian Sunday School in Concond Presbytery; Beulah in Mecklenburg; Madison and Pleasant Grove in Orange, and Low Gap in Winston-Salem Presbytery.

All in all, there have been 81 Sunday Sschools, which includes the four which arrived the early part of September, which have adopted a regular plan of giving to the Orphanage since June, 1933. In other words, in the past 15 months, this number of Sunday Schools have been added to the role of regular contributors. Quite a number of these had given regularly in times past, but had been temporarily forced to discontinue the plan, but have now re-instated it. The gifts from these 81 approximates $1,500 in that time.

Elsewhere in The Messenger, it is shown that 207 Sunday Schools have reported gifts on the new year. Reports have not been received from 32 treasurers, whose Sunday Schools gave regularly in 1933-1934. These treasurers are urged to send in all that has been contributed to date, for the Orphanage is so dependent upon the gifts which are available each month.

They are still about 250 Sunday Schools which do not send Barium an offering each month. WHICH ONE WILL BE NEXT?

ADDRESS BY MOORESVILLE MINISTER OPENS SCHOOL

Dr. R. A. White Spoke Upon Subject of "School Days And Religion."

The formal opening of the 1934-1935 graded school at the Presbyterian Orphans' Home here Friday, August 31st, was featured by an address delivered by Dr. R. A. White, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Mooresville, at exercises held in the auditorium at 11 o'clock. Dr. White used as his subject, "School Days and Religion," and developed the theme that to live a beautiful and symmetrical life that resulted in a glorious fruitage a well-rounded development of the physical, mental and spiritual being was necessary.

While the minister said that he was not going to preach a sermon, nevertheless he quoted the 40th and 52nd verses in the second chapter of Luke which tell that Jesus grew in stature and in wisdom and in favor with God and man. He pointed out that these are the only two verses in the Bible which tell anything about Jesus' school days.

"Our school days are days in which there is the most freedom and fullest of happiness, when no great responsibilities are resting on us," he said. "You may think that you have great responsibilities, but they are not as great as they will be in later life. You may also think that

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CHANGE IN SCHOOL HOURS REQUIRED ADJUSTMENT IN MOST ALL DEPARTMENTS

Details Are Given As to Work Of Various Departments Under New System

SOME ROUGH SPOTS

Saturday Suggested As Best Day to Visit The Orphanage

A word about our school. We are starting up a new system in our school this year. It has caused changes in every one of our departments. Here is the way it is run:

We have breakfast in the morning at the usual time—6:30. Immediately after breakfast the dairy boys rush to the dairy barn to milk the 60 cows. The Rumple Hall girls wash the dishes. At 8:30 everybody is ready for school. The other boys and girls, outside of the dairy and the Rumple Hall group, are not so busy between breakfast and school time. They have their rooms to look after, and some housekeeping to do. At 11:45, chapel is held in Little Joe's Church. At 12:15, there is dinner.

The Rumple Hall girls belonging to the sixth and eighth grades, put on dinner and wait on tables. The seventh grade Rumple Hall girls remain out of school an hour longer than the others at noon, in order to clean up the dining room and wash the dishes. Everybody goes back to school in the afternoon until 2:30, with the seventh grade girls going until 3:30. Immediately after school, the girls go to the Sewing Room and to the Laundry, and the Kitchen to do such work as they can in the afternoon. The boys go out to the Farm, the Truck Farm, the Orchard Groups, Mechanical Department, Shoe Shop, Printing Shop, and work for two hours.

It takes mighty close connections to get anything done at all, and we have had to employ ten extra people to carry on the work after a fashion.

In order to get any practice for athletics, the boys are excused alternate afternoons. That is, for two afternoons the football team will have a long practice, and two afternoons, just a short practice in what would otherwise be their recreation hour. We are attempting to have recreation hours between five and six o'clock although some of the children—notably the Rumple Hall girls will have their recreation hour from 3:30 to 4:30, and will have study hour from then until supper time. This is because they have dishes to wash after supper.

Now, there are lots of things about this plan that are not working as smoothly as our old system. We are trying desperately to live up to the schedule set by the State, and still give the children the same opportunity that they would have in any other school.

Last year, we attempted to have double sessions. That is, part going in the mornings and part in the afternoons, and it just did not work. The children had to stay in school too late in the afternoons and were not through with classroom work and study hour work until 9 p. m.

Now, this is the way it is going to affect our friends. Quite often people visit Barium and want to see a particular child. This is especially true if they are relatives. We hate to say "No, you can't see them", especially when they come from a distance; and yet, we don't see how we can arrange for visitors to see individual children during the five school days of the week. We just haven't the time to spare in school, and the little work time that we have is inconvenient. For instance, suppose you would want to see one of the seventh grade girls during the noon hour. This would mean that the other

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QUESTIONS FOR THE MONTH

In the past three months The Messenger has carried Questions and Answers about the Orphanage, dealing with its history, operation, etc., and the fourth series is now published in the September issue. The last question in the August copy of The Messenger was, "Who was the first superintendent of Barium, and how long did he serve?" Continuing this line of thought, the following are presented, answers for which will be found on Page 4, Column 3.

1.—In its 43 years of service how many superintendents has the institution had?

2.—Who is the present superintendent and how long has he been head of the Orphanage?

3.—Name the other three superintendents and the length of their terms.

4.—What was the greatest Thanksgiving Offering, and in what year was it given? Also, what was the total Thanksgiving Offering in 1933 and how did it compare with 1932?

5.—What action was taken by Synod at its recent meeting to increase the 1934 Thanksgiving Offering?

6.—What is the total indebtedness of the institution, and what are the assets against this indebtedness?

7.—What was the interest cost of carrying the indebtedness last year?

8.—How and at what rate is the indebtedness being retired?

9.—What was the difference between the operating income and expense in 1933-1934?

10.—If the Thanksgiving Offering averaged $1.00 per Presbyterian in the Synod this coming Thanksgiving, it would mean an Offering of $79,208. If this should occur, what would happen?

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THE BIBLE LEADS

It will be of interest to Bible readers to learn that according to figures just given out by the American Bible Society the Bible outsold all other books in 1933. Last year 7,800,765 Bibles, testaments and portions of the Bible, in 155 languages and dialects, were distributed. In Japan the distribution was greater than at any time since 1876. In America there was a big increase, too, although in a recent survey of 8,000 American homes it was found that 40 percnt of them were without Bibles. It still has no near competitor and still repudiates the argument that the world is growing worse instead of better. It still provides the greatest romance and the most thrilling adventure of any book in all the world. It still ranks as the only one ever published that brings to the human heart the solace and comfort and hope it needs to weather the storms of life.—Mooresville Enterprise.

—P. O. H.—

A GOING CONCERN

When you travel around the country and see churches with window lights out, chimneys falling to pieces, and no evidence that the church is used more than once a month, it becomes a little discouraging. So often you find a little bit of a church and a great big graveyard, and most of the occasions that the church is used is when there is a funeral. It makes you think that the church of the Living God is petering out.

Here is something to make you forget that picture: I took a vacation last month for eight days, and went up into Ashe County to enjoy that vacation with Rev. R. H. Stone, and his folks. I remembered a visit I made up there twelve years ago. At that time there were four churches in Ashe County. Ebenezer, Peak Creek, Obids and Jefferson. All of them were frame buildings, and one old lady said that the best place to set a hen was in the vestibule of the Jefferson Church —she wouldn't be disturbed until the chickens were well hatched!

Now, just in twelve years what is the picture? I won't attempt to describe what is happening on the south slope of the mountain in the particular group of churches headed by Ebenezer and Peak Creek, nor will I attempt to describe what is happening at Obids. That is all too big a subject, but the things happening there are right in line and keeping with what is happening from the Jefferson Church. In fact, the Jefferson Church is the only frame building in the big grouping that now includes Jefferson. There is a stone church at West Jefferson, with a separate pastor. There is one of the most beautiful country churches at Lansing, and the membership there is well over a hundred. The ladies have recently done over the interior, putting in new seats and this church would grace any community.

Then you can take your life in your hands and tear out into the mountains proper, and way up under the foot of White Top you will come to another beautiful stone church: Foster Memorial. It is not entirely completed; there are lots of things to be done to it yet, but the pastor and the folks that use that church are not downhearted. They know it is going to be completed in a short space of time.

Then, off in another direction toward the Tennessee line this time, until you come on into one of the most beautiful valleys to be found anywhere! That valley had everything in it, but religion. And now it is beginning to have that. A beautiful brick church this time—Gillespie is the name. It is not near finished as Foster Memorial. In fact, you have to climb a ladder to get in it, but one of the most enthusiastic communities that you ever saw is boosting that church.

Those people up there actually believe that the Church of the Living God is a going concern, and that God is not going out of business next year or the year after! They are not putting up temporary structures to worship in—they are putting up real buildings.

In Ashe County they keep two tents busy all summer, running what they call "Christian Chautauquas." There will be two weeks at a church. It was my good fortune to have a part in the Jefferson Chautauqua. It was like this: For two weeks that the tent is there, a Daily Vacation Bible School is held during the morning. Busses are used to gather in the children from a radius of about fifteen miles. Then every night, there is an evangelistic service, and at these evening services, grown folks and children gather in great numbers, and occasionally a few dogs and cats.

I am mentioning this last fact because of one night that it was my privilege to speak, a cat insisted on occupying the pulpit platform with me. She felt that she was perfectly safe there and could call the dogs in the congregation almost any sort of names. The dogs naturally responded with vigor! Twice the pastor carefully removed the cat from the pulpit platform and thought that he had fastened it up safely. The first time he did this, however, the cat very meekly came in, climbed up on a seat beside a little boy and was preparing to go to sleep. The little boy, however, thinking that the cat was falling down on the job, picked the cat up and very gently brought it up and placed it on the pulpit platform again.

Now, all of this performance would absolutely have demoralized a congregation most anywhere else in the country. But that congregation there continued to listen, and apparently enjoyed what was being said, in spite of the more interesting show being put on by the cat and the dogs!

They are kind people in these mountains, and it puts new hope and courage into anyone who will stay there for a time and look into these good peoples' faces. They seem to use their religion all week, and enjoy it, and they seem not to be afraid that God will be unable to fulfill His promises. If you are low in your mind, go up into Ashe County; find out where they are holding their Christian Chautauqua, and sit and listen and observe. It will do you good.

Some Cottage News

FARM

We have finished preparing 33 acres of land for alfalfa, which is to be sown this fall. The preparation of this soil was as follows: Disked, plowed, limed, disked, manured, disked and then we ran the drag and cultivator over it. We will plant Grimm's alfalfa, using both artifical and soil inoculation. The planting date will be between the 1st and 15th of September.

Two 125-ton siloes have been filled and we still have 18 acres of corn to stand for hard corn.

The last two cuttings of alfalfa have been only fair, athough we will have enough hay to last through the winter. This is quite different from what it was one year ago.

We have ground and mixed 4,800 pounds of 18% dairy feed and 2,000 pounds of hog feed.

Two New Hampshire rams have been added to our herd of sheep, the object being to improve the lamp crop next spring.

Most of the farm boys went on the camping trip and came back with new vigor and vim.

TRUCK FARM

We write you now for the last time before we begin school. After school starts our work may get just a little behind, but at present we are well up with everything.

Up to date we have gotten over 2,000 watermelons from our patch. This is many more than we expected, but our luck has changed and we should get at least 1,500 more. Our main trouble every year is getting the folks here to Barium to save seed.

We can't seem to make them realize that in order to raise melons next year that we must save this year's seed.

Our cantaloupes are all gone, but ask those who helped share them if they weren't fine.

Our sweet potatoes are looking fine and it will soon be time to start grubbing. We have a larger crop this year than ever before, but we estimate the yield to be about the same as last year's crop, as they didn't get the rain when they needed it most. Now that we are having a wet spell it may cause them to crack and burst and, therefore, we may loose a few this winter.

The crew is back to normal, as everyone has gone and returned from their vacations. So far as we can learn each member of the gang had a swell time, and seem to enjoy working once more.

We picked over 50 bushels of beans in the last few days and by the end of the week we are figuring on having over 200 bushels picked.

We experimented on raising broom corn this summer. We didn't plant but a couple of small patches and it turned out great. We should get over 15 dozen brooms from it.

—A Truck Farmer

SYNOD'S

We are having a good time playing baseball, although the baseball season is almost over.

Pleas Norman came back from Salisbury and the people he went to see sent us some crackers.

Some of Smythie Smith's folks sent him some cakes for his birthday and he had a party and invited us.

David Burney came back yesterday from his vacation.

We have two new boys now.

BABY COTTAGE

There is lots of work for us, and there are not so many of us, but we will try to take their places.

First thing, our big sisters, Iris Spencer and Mildred Eudy, have been moved to other cottages. Iris went to the Woman's Building and Mildred to Rumple Hall. We're going to miss them very much, but we think that Margaret Moore and Sarah Fort will try to take their places.

Myrtle Howard, a new girl, spent a while with us. She, too, has gone to Rumple hall.

Two of us have outgrown our clothes, so they are moving us to Annie Louise Cottage so that we can help wear out theirs! Our names are Rachel Mills and Ann McDonald.

We are all glad that school is beginning. We are going to try hard and see who can make the honor roll first.

Mama Girt has been home for vacation and has returned. We are glad that she is back, but we were pleased to have Mrs. Nash to take her place until she was hurt on our merry-go-round. After her injury, we enjoyed having Miss Mary Brown as our matron.

Mable Claire Nash, Mrs. Nash's daughter, has been with us during the summer. She left the last of August for a short visit of two weeks. After that time she will return to Mitchell College in Statesville to continue her studies there.

We are so gald that Mrs. Nash is improving steadily and will be back with us before long.

Scott and Herman Blue's people came to see them and to bring their sister, Geraldine, to stay at Barium with the other girls at Howard Cottage. We hope she enjoys being one of us.

Mr. and Mrs. O'Kelly had a visit from some of their relatives from Georgia. They came to see us while they were here and we hope they will come again soon.

Rev. and Mrs. Mann and their little boy visited us a few days ago. We have had others, including several picnic crowds. We are always glad to have visitors on the campus.

Hazel Cartret, one of our girls who left us about this time last year, came back to stay a few days with us. We feel she is still one of us babies.

During the summer we have been having vesper services at Sloan Field. We have enjoyed this so much we will be sorry to give it up on account of the cold weather.

We have been having peaches, watermelons, cantaloupes and grapes about every day. We want to thank Mr. Clark and Mr. Thomas for seeing that we had so many.

Mama Girt and Miss Copeland combined the Baby and Synod's Cottages and took us on a fish fry at the spring. We had a fine time, but we were sorry when it was over.

Mr. Johnston and other workers on the campus have been very nice to us taking us to ride several times. We enjoyed them very much.

Mr. Sams invited us to the Playhouse a few days ago to see a picture. It was certainly enjoyed by each one.

—The Babies

Are Presbyterians Striking?

Presbytery	Membership	August Receipts	Am't Received Per Member	Am't Per Member for year	Am't Due at End of 5th Month	Am't Behind
Winston-Salem	4433	$312.94	7 c	26 c	50c	24 c
Albemarle	4129	112.55	2½c	20½c	50c	29½c
Kings Mountain	5430	278.01	5 c	17¾c	50c	32¼c
Concord	11498	431.73	3¾c	16 c	50c	34 c
Wilmington	7912	225.13	3 c	13¾c	50c	36¼c
Mecklenburg	17010	854.68	5 c	13¼c	50c	36¾c
Orange	10977	225.79	2 c	10½c	50c	39½c
Fayetteville	11915	98.20	1 c	9½c	50c	40½c
Granville	5904	181.78	3 c	7½c	50c	42½c
TOTAL	79208	$2720.81	3.4 c	13.7 c	50c	36.3 c

We are computing the Table of Receipts this month by the new membership figures sent out by the General Assembly and contained in their Minutes. Over the entire Synod, there has been a gain of 459 members, and this gain is shared by seven of the nine Presbyteries. Two Presbyteries show a decline: Orange Presbytery dropped back 22 members; Albemarle 122 members. Mecklenburg showed the greatest gain with 241 members, followed next by Winston-Salem with 166 members, and Granville with 92, Wilmington 52, Fayetteville 44, Concord 41, Orange 22, Kings Mountain 17.

The Table of Receipts is not so encouraging. Hardly in keeping with the high price for tobacco that is being received, and the high price for cotton in prospect. Maybe people's minds are more on the textile strike than they are on these other things. Anyway, the amount received from all the Presbyteries ranges from seven cents per member in Winston-Salem to one cent per member in Fayetteville, with an average of 3.4 cents for the entire Synod, which is just a third of the amount needed for the month. The total giving for the year, commencing April 1st, amounts to 13.7 cents per member—just a little over a fourth of the amount needed for the same period of time. Still, we are getting along—thanks to abundant crops, and vegetables, and most kind creditors. Those creditors are not all Presbyterians either.

CAMPING TRIP

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after seven innings of play.

Back to camp just at dark, with some of these youngsters running into a hornets' nest and Jack McCall growing the prize sting of all right square on the end of his nose! However, this didn't do anything but make heroes of a few of the little ones, and everybody was happy when we gathered around the campfire and disposed of enough marshmallows to make everybody look puffed up. By the way, it rained on us at Montreat, so that everybody coming home got wet which made us camp-conscious again.

After a rather early breakfast, on Wednesday morning we established a checker champion, and horseshoe pitching champion and then all loaded up and went to Asheville play ground just eight miles away. That was the most enjoyable day of the trip. The management of the playground gave us free admission to the swimming pool (and it was a beauty), to the Ferris Wheel, to the Merry-go-around, and to the Zoo, and they were about the busiest until four o'clock that afternoon.

Our youngsters cut up so many antics in the water that everybody else just stopped and watched them.

Milton Gaskill led the procession and went just a little further, turned a few more flip-flops and did a few more queer things than everybody else in the party, but everybody followed suit as closely as they could, even down to Tom Morgan! And always in the foam following the splashings of the big boys, could be seen Tom's little white head bobbing along.

The girls were right along with the boys when it came to diving, turning back-somersets and what-have-you.

That night we had a rather late supper, and somehow nobody cared much about staying up late that night, and the camp was perfectly quiet by nine o'clock.

Thursday morning 48 of the larger youngsters in the crowd started out rather early to make the trip to Mt. Mitchell. There was a truck loaded with 36 people. There were two cars with six each. We left the gate at 9:00 o'clock, landed at Camp Alice at 11:00 o'clock, and everybody in the party (except four) went on up to the top of Mt. Mitchell, and found one of those rare days when it was perfectly clear, when points could be seen at enormous distances away. Morganton, Valdese, and points beyond were clearly visible, and Lake James was just as though it were spread out right at your feet.

Just as soon as the party came down from the mountain, however, the clouds came down with them, and the top of Mt. Mitchell and the peak were obscured. We started back from Camp Alice at 3:30, and the rain then took charge. The parties in the truck were drenched, then allowed to dry off and drenched again, three different times before we reached the bottom of the mountain. This made everybody perfectly happy again, and we don't mean this in a sarcastic or critical way either.

The younger members of the party had stayed in camp and had as their guests a number of the children from the Mountain Orphanage, and they pronounced the day just as gay a one as the party which went on Mt. Mitchell.

On Friday morning, after a fairly early breakfast, one truck loaded up with little boys up to the high school age. Another truck loaded up with little girls up to the high school age, and they both started down the mountain. Three cars also left, taking the balance of the girls, and a few of the boys. There wasn't any food to bring back at all. The quilts were distributed in the various truck loads and did not take so much room.

Everybody was taken away from camp before dinner, except 22 of the larger boys. They spent the day, finally deciding the horseshoe pitching champions, and going in swimming and eating up all the food that was left.

To give you an idea of the tremendous job that they had: Breakfast Friday morning, for the entire party of 115, required nine loaves of bread and a pound of butter, beside other things, of course. For dinner, the 22 boys ate 12 loaves of bread and 4 pounds of butter! The stuff was there, so why not eat it! And, also, different members of the party tried their hand at making biscuits, cornbread and cake, and they ate most of it and still survived! However, they did not feel it necessary to eat any supper at all on Friday night!

One of the trucks went back up to Swannanoa Friday afternoon, spending the night there and bringing the balance of the party back to Barium in time for dinner Saturday.

Except for a little poison oak, the the entire camping trip was pronounced the "best ever." Nobody suffered any mishaps; there were no accidents of any kind; nobody became sick, and nobody became frightened or homesick—even when the crickets sang the loudest and the dogs barked most savagely. The big boys took care of the little boys; and the big girls took care of the little girls. Mr. O'Kelly supervised the eats, and everybody behaved. We left the camp feeling even some affection for the hornets which we had disturbed so rudely. They waved us a goodbye, without attempting to hasten our departure too much.

Here is hoping that our camping trip next year may approach this one in all the pleasant features.

And it rained on us coming home!!

—P. O. H.—

New Office Boy: "A man called here to thrash you a few minutes ago."

Editor: "What did you say to him?"

New Office Boy: "I told him I was sorry you were not in."

Children and Grandchildren

Look who's here! The lady with the smile, with the two youngsters on her knees, is Mrs. Cecil Batson (Geneva Player, to most of you). The little girl with the ribbons and with her back turned to that bad, bad boy with no clothes on is Jerry Lillard, and the boy is Gordon Batson which is Geneva's reason for grinning.

Moving a little further over, the next young lady is "Miss" Hilda Bernardo. No, Hilda hasn't married, and that isn't her youngster that she is holding. That is that same little Batson boy, and next to her is Mrs. Jerry Lillard and in case you ever saw Barium play basketball four or five years ago, her name then was Louise Gufford, Captain of the team, and one of the best guards that Barium ever had. She is holding that same little Jerry Lillard (her daughter) on her arm.

Hilda Bernardo who works for the Duke Endowment in Charlotte, when taking her vacation this year, went to Baltimore, looked up Louise Gufford, and then they all together went on to Philadelphia to see Geneva. That is why all these pictures happened.

Recently we had a visit from Mrs. McLeod (Annie Hare) who lives in Fayetteville, with her three youngsters. We published their pictures in the Messenger last year. She is looking well, and seems to be able to convince those children of hers that she is a grown up young lady, and not just one of the Barium children off on a vacation!

Iris Henry, not married yet, but quite grown up, came by to see her old friends at Barium, and spent a few days here.

Helen Briley, one of our recent graduates, has written in that she wants a seat reserved for her both at the dinner table and at the football field on Home-Coming Day. Helen is rather small. She does not need a very big seat reserved for her but we will see to it that all that is done.

Meals Served by S. S.

The Sunday School giving took a tumble in August - a great big tumble at that. Not only did they relinquished that distinctive honor of having led the church budgets and giving by the Auxiliaries for four consecutive months, but they also gave one of the smallest totals of the current church year. It wasn't the smallest amount, for that was given the first month of the 1934-1935 fiscal year, but it did fall below the sums of May, June and July. It was almost $400.00 less than that which was sent the Orphanage the previous month.

It was not expected that the August giving would approach that of August, 1933, for it was recalled that a splendid special sum of approximately $275.00 was sent to Barium a year ago. But, eliminating that sum, it fell below the expectations. However, a review of the record so far shows that the Sunday Schools are giving their best responses in alternating months. That being the case, the September report ought to hit a new high peak for the entire year.

Even though the August giving fell below the expectations, the Sunday Schools are still substantially ahead of 1933-1934. The marginal lead last month was almost $1,200.00, but the decline in August brought this down to about $750.00. The increased number of Sunday Schools which are constantly joining the ranks of regular givers, should lengthened this margin to a difference of about $3,000.00 before the year is over.

There seems to be quite a number of Sunday Schools which are hitting at that $100.00 mark this year, but whether the total for the year is far over $100.00 or the mere sum of a few dollars, the appreciation does not waver. Some Sunday Schools can't give more than a few dollars to the Orphanage, and it is known that they are doing all they can for the institution.

Six Sunday Schools had already given as much as $100.00 at the close of August. All are being led by the Concord First Sunday School with $266.40, though Salisbury First crept far forward this past month to have a total of $178.50. Next is Gastonia First with $117.01. Olivia follows with $116.43, with Tenth Avenue Sunday School close on their heels with $116.17, Winston-Salem First has given $105.06 to complete the list of six.

The comparative number of meals which could have been served (calculated on the the basis of ten cents per meal per child) follows:

Months	1933-34	1934-35
April	2,898	6,218
May	6,633	10,659
June	8,252	9,501
July	9,425	12,736
August	13,238	8,762
September	13,419	?
October	12,678	?
November	10,717	?
December	11,519	?
January	10,583	?
February	9,553	?
March	18,383	?

Income Distribution

All honor to the church budget giving in August. For several months, the lead paragraph of this article has featured the Sunday School contributions, as compared with the reports from church budgets and Auxiliaries, but this time the budgetary responses took the foreground in no uncertain terms. From church budgets in August came an amount which lacked only a few dollars of equalling the combined giving of the Sunday Schools and Auxiliaries.

This was also by far the best total that has reached Barium from this source during any of the past five months. The sum from the budgets in August was $1,471.09, and the previous best report was in the preceding month of July when $898.05 was recorded on the books here. The Sunday Schools in August assumed the role of runners-up for the first time in five months, and they gave $876.19. The Auxiliaries contributed $373.50 in August, and there were no gifts reported by Young People's groups, though some have come in during the first days of September.

Despite the fact that the Sunday Schools were set back this month, they are still leading the Synod with $4,787.56 for the first five months. In previous issues of The Messenger, it has been recorded that the Sunday Schools were sending half of all gifts received at the Orphanage, but at the close of August this has to be changed to four-ninths of the receipts. Church budgets have sent $3,871.25 to date; Auxiliaries have reported $2,208.89, and Young People's groups have sent $23.66 for a combined total of $10,891.56 for the year.

The distribution of this total giving by Presbyteries is likewise interesting. The same data is given under a different form each month in the table of receipts, on the basis of per capita giving, but below are the actual amounts from each of the nine Presbyteries:

Presbytery	Amount
Mecklenburg	$2,252.44
Concord	1,827.54
Orange	1,159.29
Winston-Salem	1,149.09
Fayetteville	1,114.93
Wilmington	1,066.09
Kings Mountain	983.21
Albemarle	880.85
Granville	458.12
TOTAL	**$10,891.56**

The tabulated distribution of the receipts, according to the three main sources of income are as follows:

Month	Chur.	S. S.	Aux.
April	$185.76	$621.82	$201.67
May	535.10	1,065.94	430.09
June	781.25	950.05	580.68
July	898.05	1,273.56	622.92
August	1,471.09	876.19	373.50
Totals	**$3,871.25**	**$4,787.56**	**$2,208.89**

—P. O. H.—

OPTIMIST

Maid (having dropped expensive vase)—"Those colored bits will look lovely in the rockery, ma'am."

—London Opinion.

Clothing Boxes

Chinquapin Auxiliary.

NOTE: Miscellaneous gifts received in August will appear in the October issue of The Messenger along with those which are received in September.

Clothing Money

Dr. Thos. C. Johnston, Lumberton	15.00
Farmville (A) Aux.	15.00
Fountain Aux.	10.00
Godwin Aux.	3.00
Howard Memorial Auxiliary, Mrs. Geo. Holderness	8.50
Mrs. Job Cobb	8.00
Miss Mabry Hart	4.00
Kings Daughters, Salisbury	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Taylor, Greensboro,	10.00
Pearsall Memorial Aux.	15.00
Spray Aux.	7.50
Stony Creek Aux.	10.00
Warrenton Aux.	10.00
Washington First S. S., Beginners and Primary Depts.,	3.75
TOTAL CLOTHING GIFTS	**$124.75**

Miscellaneous Support

A Friend	50.00
A Lincolnton Friend	1.00
A Raleigh Friend	5.00
A Raleigh Friend	5.00
A Wilmington Friend	2.00
A. E. Scharrer, Hickory	5.00
F. P. Tate, Morganton	6.00
Joe H. Robinson, Charlotte	20.00
Rev. James Appleby, Maxton	1.00
Thos. R. Smith, Belmont	100.00
T. T. Holderness, Greensboro	27.50
Dr. C. B. Herman, Statesville	4.00
FOR MESSENGER	
Laura H. Norment, Lumberton	1.00
Lottie Bosworth, Washington, D. C.	1.00
Miss Ruth Jones, Lumberton	2.00
Mrs. Josephine C. Wakefield, Banner Elk,	2.00
R. F. Lewis, Bolivia	1.00
S. E. Tucker, High Point	2.00
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	**$233.00**

Support Fund

CHURCHES

Alamance	8.25
Bethany (C)	.41
Bethany (O)	1.94
Bethesda (F)	2.36
Bethpage	3.50
Bethlehem (A) Community Vocal Union	1.45
Burgaw	1.88
Burlington First	11.82
Burlington First	43.00
Calvary	.38
Cann Memorial	5.39
Centre (C)	6.34
Charlottle First, Regular	167.24
Special	134.00
Charlotte Second, Regular	150.00
Special	6.00
Charlotte Second	100.00
Concord Second	6.37
Cross Roads	.81
Davidson	42.75
Duncan Creek	1.95
Durham First	100.00
Edenton	2.85
Falkland	.75
Farmville (A)	1.50
Fountain	.30
Gastonia First	125.00
Gilwood	1.70
Goldsboro, 18% Dividend Wayne National Bank	20.36
Greenville	6.00
Harmony (C)	1.05
Henderlite Memorial	.15
Hickory	14.06
Jefferson	.86
Lansing	.90
Laurinburg, July	5.30
Lenoir	39.10
Lenoir, A Friend	20.00
Lexington April	18.10
June	1.46
August	7.25
Lincolnton	30.38
Mebane	5.74
McKinnon	2.63
Mocksville	4.00
Mooresville Second	1.34
Mt. Zion	3.60
Oak Plains	.38
Parmele	.45
Patterson	2.21
Prospect	3.67
Reidsvillle	15.00
Reynolda	100.00
Rockfish	2.24
Rocky Point	2.82
Salisbury Second	4.54
Shiloh (C)	.90
Statesville First, Union Service	20.00
St. Andrews (W)	44.00
Thyatira	4.09
Washington First	7.50
Wildwood (W)	1.57
Willard	1.50
Wilmington First	45.00
Winston-Salem First	100.00
Sub-Total Churches	**$1,471.09**

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Ahoskie	5.00
Alamance	5.84
Albemarle, July	15.19
August	16.46
Amity	6.00
Ashwood	2.75
Badin, Ladies' B. C.	10.00
Bethany (C)	1.88
Bethel (M)	2.28
Bethesda (O)	1.55
Bethesda (F)	8.38
Beulaville	3.14
Buffalo (G) July	16.00
Buffalo (L)	2.25
Burlington Second	6.65
Caldwell Memorial, Quarter Ending June 30th	9.55
Cameron Hill	2.00
Caswell	1.27
Charlotte First, 1st Quarter	22.50
Chadbourn	2.50
Chadbourn	2.75
Cherryville	5.00
Clarkton	9.53
Concord First	50.53
Concord (Iredell)	4.81
Delgado	4.00
Durham First, June & July	26.00
East Burlington, Women's True Blue B. C.	1.60
Elizabethtown, May, June & July	14.76
Elmwood, June	1.20
July	1.23
Eno	6.00
Fountain, July	1.93
August	2.06
Front Street	6.84
Gastonia First, Men's B. C.	40.00
Glenwood	6.57
Goldsboro	5.07
Graves Memorial	4.33
Greensboro First, Men's B. C.	11.59
Hallsville	1.60
Harmony (C)	2.57
Harmony (W) Ch. & S. S., July & August	10.00
Hopewell (M)	2.15
Hopewell (M)	2.66
Huntersville	8.13
Jackson Springs	6.00
Jefferson	1.50
Lakeview	1.90
Lakeview	2.60
Laurinburg, July	18.71
Lexington	11.75
Lincolnton	7.18
Little Joe's	4.13
Long Creek	1.96
Lowell, April	2.03
May	1.88
June	2.66
July	3.10
Lumber Bridge	2.00
Marion	7.21
Machpelah	.50
McPherson	10.00
Mebane	4.00
Mocksville	8.53
Monroe	16.06
Montpelier	6.00
Mooresville First	10.50
Morven, April, May, June & July	15.00
Mt. Olive	5.40
Nahalah	2.00
New Bern S. S. & Men's B. C.	7.68
New Hope (KM), July & August	5.05
New Hope (O)	1.63
New Hope (W) July & August	6.00
North Wilkesboro	38.88
North Vanguard, Men's B. C. July	1.75
August	.90
Pineville, June	5.10
July	5.00
August	3.05
Pittsboro	2.00
Pleasant Grove	2.00
Prospect	15.75
Raleigh First, Moment Class	6.75
Reynolda	15.03
Rocky Mount First, Jennie K. Hill B. C.	5.00
Rocky Point	2.00
Rutherfordton	9.27
Salisbury First, Rumple B. C. August & September	10.00
Salisbury First, Brotherhood B. C., Regular	25.00
Birthday Special	4.73
Salisbury First, Woman's B. C.	5.00
Salisbury Second	6.45
Shiloh (KM)	4.30
Spies	1.50
Spray, A Friend of "Old" Men's B. C.	2.00
Spray, July & August	10.00
Statesville First	12.12
St. Pauls (F)	15.66
St. Pauls (M)	25.75
Sunnyside	1.65
Tenth Avenue	20.00
Thomasboro	5.16
Thyatira	9.35
Trinity Avenue	8.00
Union (KM)	4.40
Union Mills July	2.65
August	2.38
Vass	4.24
Warrenton	6.38
West End	3.65
White Plains	2.10
Willard, June	2.83
Woodburn, November through June	27.55
Sub-Total Sunday Schools	**$876.19**

AUXILIARIES

Asheboro	2.50
Bethany (O) Special	12.75
Broadway	4.00
Burlington First, Circle 4, Special	5.00
Caldwell Memorial	15.00
Cann Memorial, June	1.00
Charlotte First	11.25
Charlotte Second	6.00
Concord First	60.00
Covenant (KM)	1.09
Covenant (KM)	1.00
Covenant (O)	8.00
Edenton	5.98
Elizabethtown	13.13
Gastonia First	14.50
Greensboro First	7.50
Greensboro First, Bethany Circle	1.00
Greenville	2.00
Hawfields	3.00
Henderson	9.00
High Point, July & August	14.00
Howard Memorial	6.00
Immanuel, Regular	2.28
Special	2.42
Jonesboro, Special	2.40
LaGrange, Quarterly	2.75
Lexington	1.87
Manley, Girls' Circle, June & July	2.00
Marks' Creek	5.00
Matthews, $1.00 per-month-per-circle, June & July	4.00
Mount Airy	2.81
Mt. Holly	2.45
Newell, $2.00 per circle for 5 months	10.00
New Hope (KM), One-half of apportionment	6.00
Pleasant Hill (1933-1934 funds)	4.00
Prospect	.77
Providence (M)	22.00
Raeford, Circle 1, Special	2.00
Raleigh First	10.00
Ramah	8.00
Roanoke Rapids	5.00
Rockfish	1.05
Rocky Mount First, Mrs. A. P. Tharpe	10.00
Shelby	3.28
Smithfield	8.00
Statesville First	15.00
St. Pauls (F)	2.00
Teachey	.75
Thyatira	2.00
Troy	1.00
Westminster (M)	18.75
Wilmoore	3.00
Wm. & Mary Hart, July, August & September	9.00
Sub-Total Auxiliaries	**$373.53**
GRAND TOTAL, SYNOD	**$2,720.81**

More Contributors

One year ago, 400 different organizations (either the church budget, Sunday School or Auxiliary) had reported gifts to the Orphanage, and over the corresponding period of 1934-1935, 471 organizations had made some contribution. This is one of the healthiest signs observed at the Orphanage in a long time. The total gifts are not much greater than they were a year ago, but the fact that more organizations are helping should show up materially before the year is over.

A year ago, reports had been received from 132 church budgets, 153 Sunday Schools and 115 Auxiliaries. Comparative statistics show this year that 150 church budgets have sent in gifts, 207 Sunday Schools and 114 Auxiliaries. The church budgets are 18 ahead of last year, 54 more Sunday Schools have reported contributions, while the Auxiliaries lack one of equalling last year's record at the close of the fifth month.

The August issue of the Messenger showed how many had reported at the end of July. During August, gifts were received from 18 church budgets, 12 Sunday Schools and 19 Auxiliaries for the first time this new fiscal year.

Church budgets reporting in August were Cann Memorial, Calvary and Henderlite Memorial in Albemarle; Centre, Concord Second, McKinnon and Patterson in Concord; Durham First in Granville; Gastonia First in Kings Mountain; Charlotte First in Mecklenburg; Bethany in Orange; Burgaw, Mt. Zion, Oak Plain and Rocky Point in Wilmington; and Lansing, Mocksville and Reynolda in Winston-Salem.

First reports in August were received from the following Sunday Schools: Elmwood and Prospect in Concord; Cameron Hill and Spies in Fayetteville; Lowell in Kings Mountain; Ladies Bible Class, Badin; Charlotte First and Morven in Mecklenburg; Eno and Pleasant Grove in Orange; Woodburn in Wilmington, and Reynolda in Winston-Salem.

Auxiliaries reporting for the first time in August were: Edenton in Albemarle; Concord First in Concord; Raeford and St. Pauls in Fayetteville; Henderson and Smithfield in Granville; New Hope in Kings Mountain; Charlotte Second, Marks' Creek, Pleasant Hill, Providence and Ramah in Mecklenburg; Asheboro, Bethany and Broadway in Orange; Rockfish and Teacheys in Wilmington, and Lexington and Mt. Airy in Winston-Salem.

Church budget giving is led by Concord Presbytery with 35 churches reporting contributions; Fayetteville is by far the leader in Sunday School giving with reports at hand from 42 Sunday Schools, and Mecklenburg is well ahead of other Auxiliaries with reports received from 21 such organizations.

How the church budgets, Sunday Schools and Auxiliaries have responded in the various Presbyteries is shown by the following tabulation:

Presbytery	Ch.	S. S.	Aux.
Albemarle	14	14	13
Concord	35	29	11
Fayetteville	9	42	12
Granville	8	10	11
Kings Mountain	10	22	12
Mecklenburg	25	29	21
Orange	17	26	15
Wilmington	20	27	11
Winston-Salem	12	8	8
TOTALS	**150**	**207**	**114**

Alumni News

Clifton Vann came by for a short visit last week. He is doing office work now and likes it.

Ben Fort, our Barium boy who finished Davidson in three years, spent a night here.

Mary Estridge, Barium student of several years ago, was on the campus for a short visit a few days ago.

Iris Henry, Laura Lee Norman and Paul Pittman have been with us for short visits.

—P. O. H.—

The preacher's small son was being quizzed by an elderly visitor one day.

"Does your father ever preach the same sermon twice?" he was asked.

"Sure he does," the small boy replied, "but he hollers in different places."

DISCREPANCY NOTED IN MINUTES AND RECORD

In Two Years Synod Has Reported Over $10,000 More Than Was Received

There is a great discrepancy between the actual receipts of gifts for the support fund at Barium, and what is annually reported in the minutes of the General Assembly. At least, that is decidedly true for the past two years, for if the Orphanage had received all that was reported officially, the debt would now be $10,506 less than it is. That is the combined difference for the two years.

In 1932-1933, the minutes say that $72,146 was sent to Barium. The records here show $67,777.77. Synod reported an eight hundred dollar increase to the Orphanage during 1933-1934, but the records here show a decline of $371.31 for the year. For the two years, Synod reports $145,090, while the auditor's books show $134,584.23, which is a difference of $10,505.77.

Has this money actually been contributed to the Orphanage and gone astray? Just where is this money? Or, how does the difference occur?

There was one Presbytery unique in a comparison of the Minutes' reports and the records. That was Kings Mountain Presbytery. In both 1932-1933 and in 1933-1934, that Presbytery reported less than was actually received at the Orphanage. Albemarle Presbytery had this distinction in 1933-1934, but they showed more than was received here the previous year.

The excesses in the Minutes' reports are largely in four Presbyteries. Mecklenburg's combined report for the two years showed $4,006 more than was received; Concord showed $2,121 more than was received; Winston-Salem $1,819 more than arrived at Barium, and Granville, $1,118 more than came to the Orphanage.

The total for these four was $9,961 more than arrived at Barium, leaving about $1,500 excess for the other four Presbyteries, Kings Mountain being excluded.

The minutes' record and the record at Barium for the two years follows:

1932-1933

Presbytery	MINUTES	RECORD
Albemarle	$ 3,847.00	$ 3,524.56
Concord	11,715.00	10,722.04
Fayetteville	6,261.00	6,152.91
Granville	5,986.00	5,390.15
Kings Mt.	4,881.00	4,912.26
Mecklenburg	16,666.00	15,110.91
Orange	9,427.00	9389.67
Wilmington	5,047.00	4,558.09
Winston-Salem	8,316.00	7,717.18
	$72,146.00	$67,477.77

1933-1934

Presbytery	MINUTES	RECORD
Albemarle	$ 4,254.00	$ 4,392.62
Concord	13,129.00	12,001.78
Fayetteville	6,966.00	6,813.85
Granville	5,080.00	4,558.41
Kings Mt.	5,290.00	5,537.65
Mecklenburg	15,801.00	13,351.27
Orange	8,252.00	8,012.25
Wilmington	5,237.00	4,824.72
Winston-Salem	8,935.00	7,615.91
	$72,944.00	$67,106.46

SYNOD ADOPTED SEVERAL

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vious action rescinded, paving the way for the complete adoption of all recommendations made by the Regents and the Standing Committee. These are given in the article to the right.

Summing Up.

Summing up the recommendations, though, they include an urgency upon the Board of Regents to take action to retire the indebtedness of the institution, and means to this end were a request that each Presbytery appoint a strong committee of laymen and ministers to secure contributions from every Presbyterian (an every member canvass) at Thanksgiving and to assist in carrying out later plans; that all churches be requested to complete their Home Mission study and take the self-denial offering by the first Sunday in November, leaving the remainder of that month in which to prepare for the Thanksgiving Offering.

It was felt by the Regents and also by the Standing Committee that a thorough canvass of every person at Thanksgiving time would result in a Thanksgiving Offering twice as large as in 1933. So many of the people do not attend the services when the annual offering is made, and consequently do not make any contribution, but a personal solicitation by a committee in every church would be a certainty that all people would have a chance to help. One church at Thanksgiving, 1932, gave $567.43, but in working an every member plan last Thanksgiving, their Offering was increased to $932.18, which illustrates the possibilities of this plan.

After the discussion of the change in Home Mission dates, Dr. D. Clay Lilly stated that every year this question of either the Home or the Foreign Mission dates and offerings come up on the floor of Synod, and that previous efforts seemed unavailing in getting the General Assembly's Stewardship Committee to leave all but the first Sunday in November

PROCEEDINGS OF SYNOD

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ed $27,084. The churches gave to Orphan's Home $67,106.46. The debt of the Home was decreased about $1500. Synod adopted a budget of $500.000 for benevolence next year at 60-40 division between Assembly and Synod.

Synod approved the plan of the Assembly to lift the debt on its agencies of $522,000 by the Belmont plan; that is, each member tithing for 13 weeks for that cause.

Dr. G. W. Brown, secretary American Bible Society, said a new depository was opened in Atlanta, Ga. Dec. 9 is Universal Bible Sunday.

Synod approved of the effort to raise the $49,000 debt on Montreat Association. Dr. R. C. Anderson announced that the holder of the note would donate $25,000 for library at Montreat if the note were paid. Montreat school is now called Montreat College with accredited standing as a junior college.

Dr. Norman Patterson, of China, addressed the Synod on foreign missions.

Memorials of three deceased ministers were adopted, Rev. W. McC. White, D. D., of Raleigh; Rev. H. E. Gurney D. D., of Charlotte and Rev. W. S. Harden, of Greenville.

A commission was appointed to hear a complaint of members of the Church- by- the-Side-of-the-Road, Greensboro, against Orange Presbytery for dissolving the church over the will of the members.

Synod adopted a new plan of work, abolishing the Committee of 27 which has been in existence six years. There will be four executive committees, 10 permanent committees, committees on Synod's institutions, special committees and standing committees Among the permanent committees is one on Moral and Social Welfare. The four executive committees are Home Missions, Stewardship, Religious Education and Stated Supplies. The membership of all the committees was equally divided among the nine Presbyteries.

The following were re-elected to office: Rev. E. E. Gillespie, D. D. superintendent of Home Missions, Rev. C. M. Gibbs, stated clerk; Rev. J. W. Stork, permanent clerk, and Rev. J. G. Garth, publicity clerk: Rev. O. C. Williamson, D. D., of Alexandria, La., was elected Director of Religious Education for the Synod.

Synod took up the problem of unemployed ministers. They decided to urge Presbyteries to use Presbyterial authority, ask churches to cooperate with the committee, enlarge home mission, Sunday School and colportage work, and raise a fund for helping the unemployed ministers of whom it was said there are 20 in the Synod.

Workers among students in state colleges reported work and good responses to their efforts in Chapel Hill, Raleigh, Greensboro, and Greenville. It was announced that Rev. Donald Stewart and Rev. Watt Cooper were now pastor and assistant in the church at Chapel Hill,. There were said to be as many students in state schools as in denominational colleges, about 1200 in each.

Dr. M. F. Ham, evangelist conducting a meeting in Charlotte, addressed the Synod, and Dr. I. G. Greer, superindent of the Mills Home, Baptist Orphanage at Thomasville, spoke at the popular meeting on Orphanage work.

Synod will meet next fall at Flora Macdonald College at Red Springs.

CHANGE IN SCHOOL HOURS

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seventh grade girls would have to do this girl's work in a very crowded short period of time. This would not be fair to the other girls, and we feel that we will have to be rather strict about observing our visiting hours. The children are free from five to six, except some of the sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls.

On Saturday, any child will be excused from whatever duties they may have to see relatives and friends. So let's make Saturday visiting day if you want to see special children. It is the only day that suits. Sunday most emphatically does not suit.

—P. O. H.—

Engineer—Hi there! Get off the track, you idiot! What do you mean by standing in front of a locomotive?

Man—Oh, I just had my life insured and I wanted to see whether the company is reliable.

—P. O. H.—

A BLESSING

"Ever since our baby was born my wife has been forced to abandon her vocal lessons."

"I always said children were a blessing."

—P. O. H.—

Little Boy: "Mother, do cows and bees go to heaven?"

Mother: "Why, child, what a strange question! Why?"

Boy: "Because if they don't, the milk and honey the preacher said was up there must be all canned goods and I've had enough of such things."

vacant for the Orphanages. He felt that some strong action was necessary, and proposed the resolution which was adopted that the Synod of North Carolina resolved that it would not co-operate with any plan in the future which called for free-wili or special offerings after the first Sunday in November.

Answers

1.—There have been five superintendents.

2.—Jos. B. Johnston is the present superintendent, and he has been head of the Orphanage since July 1, 1922—a period of slightly over a dozen years.

3.—The other three superintendents have been Rev. R. F. Wakefield, who served from 1908 until his death in 1910; Rev. W. T. Walker from 1910 to 1920, and E. McS. Hyde, whose term was from 1920 to 1922.

4.—The greatest Thanksgiving Offering totaled $49,467.73—a few hundred dollars less than $50.000. The 1933 Thanksgiving Offering totaled $29,261.56, which was $20,206.-17 less than the peak year. The 1933 Thanksgiving response was $1,357 greater than that of 1932.

5.—Synod has requested all churches to complete their Home Mission study and take their self-denial offering not later than the first Sunday in November, leaving the remainder of November open for arousing interest and taking the Thanksgiving Offering at the close. They also requested the Presbyteries at the fall meeting to appoint a strong committee of laymen and ministers to secure a Thanksgiving response from every member of every church (an every member canvass).

6.—The total indebtedness of every description of the institution is $107,-490.69, and against this indebtedness the Orphanage has operating assets of $40,228.19.

7.—The interest cost of the indebtedness last year was $4,705.31.

8.—The major portion of the indebtedness of the institution is being retired through ten-year life-endowment insurance policies. $61,000 of the indebtedness is carried in this manner, the annual premium payments on this being $5,854.35. After the payment of six more annual premiums of $4,877.00, $50,000 of the indebtedness will be wiped out, and after the payment of eight more annual premiums of $977.35, $11,000 more of the indebtedness will be eliminated. This is a gradual retirement, which is well and good, but the annual outlay for retiring this $61,-000 calls for premium payments of $5,854.35 plus an interest cost of $3,-660.00, which totals $9,514.35. This last sum would be available for operation plus the additional interest costs of over $1,000.00 on other Orphanage indebtedness if there was no overhanging obligations. This means that the Orphanage would have $10,500 more for annual operation, and this sum would take care of many more children at the institution. The interest and premiums are paid out of the Duke Endowment money and income from the Orphanage endowment, and does not come out of the gifts received from Synod.

9.—The Orphanage operated within its income last year, with a surplus of $4,070.33. The operating income was $103,242.39. The operating expense was $99,172.06. Operating costs last year were $1,552.11 less than they were in 1932-1933.

10.—We'd have a duck fit. Seriously, though, such a Thanksgiving Offering, plus the cash surrender value of the insurance policies, would lack only a few thousand dollars of completely wiping out the indebtedness, and with decidedly reduced interest costs, the entire elimination of it could be made the following year, assuming that the regular income from Synod did not show a decline in either 1934-1935 or 1935-1936.

Our Needs

If your Church, Sunday School or Auxiliary wants to do something extra in addition to regular gifts we can use any of the articles listed below to very good advantage.

Canned fruits and Vegetables

Table Cloths - 64 x 108	
Spreads - Single beds	63 x 89
	72 x 89
	80 x 89
Three-quarter beds	80 x 98
	80 x 107
Sheets - Single beds	54 x 90
	63 x 90
	63 x 99
Three-quarter beds	72 x 90
	72 x 99

Quilts & Blankets - Same dimensions as sheets.

SATISFYING THE SKEPTIC

A woman inquired of a negro porter the time of the train to Chicago. She then went to a white man and asked him.

The porter went to the white man afterwards and said, with a smile, "Perhaps she will believe it, now she has got it in black and white."

—Northern Mail.

—P. O. H.—

"I know what's passing in your mind," said the maiden. "I know, too, why you are calling here night after night, appropriating my time to yourself and keeping other nice young men away. You want me to marry you, don't you?"

"I—I do!" gasped the astonished young man.

"I thought so. Very well, I will."

—Ex.

GIRL CLAIMING ONE-TIME RESIDENCE HERE FALSIFIED

No Such Girl Had Ever Been Enrolled—No Parallel Case On Record

Greensboro, Sept. 1.—Sadie Mae Craven, 14 years old, who took French leave of the Barium Springs orphanage three weeks ago to come to Greensboro, last night was reunited with her mother, Mrs. L. L. Davis, after Mrs. Davis had come all the way from Montana after learning of her daughter's disappearance from the orphanage.

She had run away from the orphanage 10 times in all, it was said, and she was assured last night that her home in the future would be with her mother.

Sadie was placed in the care of the orphanage after her father died some nine years ago. Her mother, who formerly lived here and in High Point, married again a year or so ago and moved to Montana where she now resides.

The young girl, who walked and hitch-hiked her way to Greensboro, had been staying here with friends since her arrival. She was recognized, however, and her mother notified that she was in the city.

Barium Springs, Sept. 4.—Saide Mae Craven, 14 years old, who claimed in Greensboro last week that she had run away from Barium Springs Orphanage was falsifying, said Jos. B. Johnston, superintendent of the Presbyterian Orphans' Home here, who stated that a girl of this name has never been enrolled at Barium Springs.

Mr. Johnston further stated that there was no girl on French leave from the Orphanage to adopt an alias.

The article stated that the girl, who had run away from the Orphanage 10 times, was placed in the care of this institution nine years ago upon her father's death, and that she was reunited last week with her mother in Greensboro, who had traveled from Montana to take charge.

There is no case on the records at Barium that in any way corresponds to any of the claims made by this girl.

"Furthermore," said Mr. Johnston, "any child who ran away as many times as this girl claims to have gone A. W. O. L. wouldn't be on the rolls at Barium, for we do not operate a detention home."

The first article above appeared in one of the Greensboro papers, and was reprinted in one or two other newspapers. When the matter was called to the attention of Barium officials, the second article was mailed out from the Orphanage to those papers which had used the original story.

As a sequel, it later developed that the girl had ran away from Samarcand, and was using the name of Barium Springs Orphanage to cover up her identity from the police officers of Greensboro.

Friends of Barium are warned to be sure that any individual claiming he or she has been to Barium Springs is making a bona fide assertion. Several instances are recalled by Orphanage officials, over a period of many years, when people have claimed that they were once enrolled at Barium, and because of this succeded in "touching" different parties for gifts. Later investigation has proved they were telling an untruth. If any boy or girl cliams a one-time residence here, a telegram dispatched to the Orphanage will quickly confirm or deny the claim.

ADDRESS BY MOORESVILLE

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life is hard and tedious and that the teachers are sometimes strict, but even so your school days are full of memories and are the happiest of your life."

"Jesus, no doubt, had the same sort of experiences as you and I," continued Dr. White, "and He entered into all activities with the same vigor and enthusiam, for Jesus developed normally. All that Jesus said and depended upon later on in His ministry depended upon what He did as a school boy. So it is with you. What you do and learn as a little boy or girl will depend upon what you say and do in later years."

The visiting minister then touched upon the three-fold development. "The Scriptures tell us that He grew in stature. That's a simple statement, but if He hadn't grown, they would have been concerned about Him. He grew like any other boy or girl, and perhaps stood against the wall every now and then to see how much He had grown. He entered into the sports of that day. His father was a carpenter, and I like to think that He went into His Father's shop to work. No doubt He knew all about the carpenter's work, for He probably mended things with tools. It is encouraging to think that Jesus did all things just like we do."

Dr. White felt that the capacity and powers of the human body are marvelous, and also felt that the development of the body was a religious duty. It is a religious duty, he maintained, to take care of one's body, not to abuse it, but to feed it the necessary and proper food, take the right exercises and get the required sleep. Jesus took care of His body, he contended, and was a perfect speciman of manhood.

His next point was that Jesus grew in wisdom. "His mental growth was carried along with that of His body. You can't have a sound mind in an unsound body. If you'll give your mind a good body, it will naturally grow, but that mind must have direction," and here he pointed out that was why they went to school. "Education today is not cramming, nor simply learning what is in books, but education is to lead out our minds to think. You'll forget a lot that you learn in the classroom, but it will not be amiss to learn, because it will be helping the mind to grow. Shut up a man and his body and mind will both be dwarfed.

"The powers of your minds are limitless," he told them, "and there is no end to the power within your grasp. If there's no limit," he asked, "isn't it a moral and religious duty for us to cultivate it - to balance both mind and body?"

The final thing which Dr. White considered necessary to make a well-rounded man or woman was to grow in spirit. "Christ grew in spirit and the grace of God. Unless your soul is developed you won't be perfect. We will not be able to meet our needs and the needs of our fellowman. You must feed your soul. If you don't feed it, it will be dwarfed. Feed your soul on the Bible, which is the bread of life. We know that Jesus fed His soul, because He knew the Old Testament perfectly. His soul was saturated with the word of God, and if you are to make or approach a perfect man or woman, your soul must be fed likewise."

He felt that religion and school go together and that school days should be filled with the spirit of religion.

SEVERAL CHANGES MADE IN ORPHANAGE PERSONNEL

There Are Three New Teachers In School, And Also Other Replacements

During the past six months there have been a number of changes in the staff personnel at the Orphanage, all of those leaving the institution having been replaced with the exception of one.

Newcomers to the Orphanage staff include Miss Rebekah Carpenter, case worker; B. S. Linville, farm manager; Miss Margaret Bell, of Decatur, Ga., teacher of the fourth grade; Miss Laura Northrop, of St. Pauls, teacher of the third, and Miss Minnis Morrison, of Statesville, teacher of the first grade.

Miss Carpenter replaced Miss Frances Steele, who has a welfare position in Georgia; Mr. Linville replaced T. C. Cavin, who is farming near Troutman; Miss Bell has taken the place of Miss Mildred Mosely, of Duncan, Okla., who remained at her home after her mother's sudden death this spring; Miss Northrop has replaced Miss Mary Belle McKenzie, who is teaching in a Normal School in Asheville, and Miss Morrison indirectly replaced Miss Leonie Miller, who had been matron of Annie Louise Cottage, but who is remaining home because of her mother's serious illness. Miss McGoogan, who was first grade teacher, is now in charge of Annie Louise Cottage, Miss Morrison doing Miss McGoogan's work.

The only old member of the staff who was not replaced was Ralph McMillan, director of physical education at the Orphanage since the fall of 1926, who has accepted a post as coach of the Hickory High School. Mr. McMillan's duties have been detailed to R. E. Jackins, who had helped the retiring director in his work, and who has been working at the Orphanage since finishing here in 1927. Mr. Jackins is also in charge of the dairy.

This article has dealt only with departures and replacements, and does not take into consideration those workers which have been added because of necessity when the school system was changed this fall.

—P. O. H.—

SOME DIFFERENCE

Johnny was sitting on the curb when Jimmy came along and asked him what was the matter. "Oh, I feel bad 'cause Teddy's dead, my nice doggie," he sighed.

"My!" said Jimmy, "I guess that's too bad, but my grandmother's been dead a week and you don't catch me crying."

Johnny gave his eyes a wipe with his hand and looking up at Jimmy sobbed despairingly, "Yes, but you don't raise your grandmother from a pup."

—P. O. H.—

RETORT EXPLANATORY

Talkative Lady—"A big man like you might be better occupied than in cruelly catching helpless and innocent little fish."

B Angler—"Perhaps you're right. But if this fish had kept his mouth shut, he wouldn't be here."